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At the City of GLASGOW, *the firſt day of November, ſeventeen hundred and eighty-ſix years;*

WHICH day, the Lord Provoſt, Magiſtrates, and Council of the City of Glaſgow, being in Council aſſembled, and taking into their ſerious conſideration the propoſals made by the Land-holders in and about the City of Edinburgh, for altering the preſent law reſpecting the importation of Meal and Grain into Scotland; they unanimouſly agreed upon, and came to the following RESOLUTIONS:

Firſt, That it is of the greateſt importance to a manufacturing country to have the price of corn and meal, with which the laborious part of the people are principally ſubſiſted, always on reaſonable terms, and at ſtationary prices; and that a free importation and exportation of theſe neceſſaries of life would tend to promote ſo deſirable an end.

Secondly, That the method propoſed at a meeting of ſome Landed Gentlemen, lately held at Edinburgh, as the ſtandard for opening and ſhutting the ports, would tend to advance the price of grain in this and the neighbouring Weſtern Counties.

Thirdly, That it is well known the price of meal in Glaſgow and its neighbourhood, is always higher than in the Lothians; and if the price of meal and grain in theſe counties is to be the ſtandard for opening and ſhutting the ports in Scotland, this great manufacturing diſtrict, which, even in plentiful ſeaſons, requires importation from other countries, can never expect to ſee the medium price of meal as low as it has heretofore been.

Fourthly, That the laws now in force for the importation of grain and meal, have been beneficial to this country; and any alteration of theſe laws, that may have a tendency to raiſe the prices higher than they have hitherto been, would have a ruinous effect on the manufactures of Scotland in general, and, in particular, on theſe of this diſtrict. And,

Fifthly, They reſolve and agree to oppoſe any bill that may be brought into Parliament, by which the prices of grain and meal may be ſteadily raiſed, or which may alter the preſent laws, to the prejudice of this City, and the country adjacent.

And they ordain this act to be printed and publiſhed in the Edinburgh and Glaſgow newſpapers; and appoint the Lord Provoſt to tranſmit a printed copy hereof to each of the Royal Boroughs in Scotland.

Extracted from the Records of Council by me, Town-Clerk of Glaſgow,

JOHN WILSON.

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